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. . . . The 50th meeting of the CIA RETIREMENT BOARD convened at 2:05 p.m. on Tuesday, 20 December 1966, with the following present:

25X1A9a	Mr. Emmett D. Echols, Chairman
	Mr. [REDACTED] DP Member
	Mr. [REDACTED] DP Member
	Mr. [REDACTED] Member
	Mr. [REDACTED] Member
	Mr. [REDACTED] DS&T Alternate Member
	Mr. [REDACTED] DS Member
	Mr. [REDACTED] Legal Adviser
	Mr. [REDACTED] Executive Secretary
	Mrs. [REDACTED] Recording Secretary

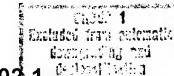
MR. ECHOLS: Let's take a look at the Minutes of the last meeting. Any additions or corrections? (No response.) Okay, we will accept the Minutes as presented.

Let me give you a fast report on where we stand right now. We have a total of seven cases pending action by Career Service Boards. Five of them are cases that are special cases, I think, which will be taken care of today. One is a case that was held out pending decision with regard to marriage to an alien. This will be easily processed soon. And one is a Commo case where there is some question about some service -- isn't that right, Harry? But we're down, really, to our last seven cases.

25X1A9a MR. [REDACTED] Well, I've sort of given them a deadline and said to red-line them after that point. This was service with OSA overseas, on which they seem to have no records -- we know the kid was over there.

MR. ECHOLS: We're almost through with the initial go-around. We're going to start immediately on getting a machine run on all of those who have entered the zone of eligibility. Our last call-up was in January, 1966. The volume probably will not be very great. Then when we clean that up we will have to decide whether our future call-ups should be done annually or quarterly. I have no views on this. I don't know what the volume is likely to be.

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MR. ECHOLS: Age 25, yes.

So if it's agreeable with you, we will just wait and get this first call-up out of the way, and then, let's say, at the end of a quarter we will call for one and see whether we have two or three names or whether it's worthwhile to have quarterly call-ups.

Our first batch of cases here are those who acquire a vested interest. There are 17 of them. Any discussion on any of these 17 cases?

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MR. [REDACTED] Move their approval.

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MR. [REDACTED] Second the motion.

. . . . This motion was then passed

MR. ECHOLS: Group B, three cases, are within six months of vesting, and they all already have 60 or more months.

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MR. [REDACTED] I vote they all be designated.

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MR. [REDACTED] Second.

. . . . This motion was then passed

MR. ECHOLS: Group C, 21 people held to be eligible for designation.

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MR. [REDACTED] I move they be designated.

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MR. [REDACTED] Second.

. . . . This motion was then passed

MR. ECHOLS: We have one application for voluntary

25X1A9a retirement [REDACTED] at age 50.
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MR. [REDACTED] He has some good linguistic talents.

MR. [REDACTED] This is the kind of guy we're trying to recruit.

MR. ECHOLS: I just have the Biographic Profile in my book.

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Does the Career Service have a recommendation on this retirement? --

Oh, yes - excuse me - here it is--

25X1A9a MR. [REDACTED] What is "OD"?

25X1A9a MR. [REDACTED] It should be "ID" - Office of Central Reference.

MR. ECHOLS: His request for voluntary retirement has been approved by the Director of Central Reference -- so I guess that is that.

Any objections to this retirement request?

25X1A9a MR. [REDACTED] I vote we accept it.

25X1A9a MR. [REDACTED] Emmett, I'm just hesitating here because I know that in [REDACTED] we have been hard up for translators. I don't know anything about this man's background, or anything of that sort, but--

MR. ECHOLS: Do you want to hold this up to investigate his qualifications for transfer--

25X1A9a MR. [REDACTED] Can we hold it up until our next meeting, without any difficulty?

MR. ECHOLS: Oh yes--

25X1A9a MR. [REDACTED] He doesn't go until spring.

This relates to the point I raised at our last meeting as to how much option the Agency has. Theoretically the Agency has the option at this point, but in practice we say: What good is a disgruntled employee if we turn him down?

25X1A9a MR. [REDACTED] I don't know whether he was disgruntled--

25X1A9a MR. [REDACTED] Well, if the guy applies the idea would be he wouldn't apply if he didn't want to get out, and if you turn him down when he has a chance to get out this early--

25X1A9a MR. [REDACTED] On the Biographic Profile it shows him working for DD/P--

MR. [REDACTED] That was seven years ago.

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MR. [REDACTED] What is his grade?

MR. [REDACTED]: Grade 10.

MR. [REDACTED] It may be if somebody offered him something better, and overseas, that he might be interested.

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MR. [REDACTED] You say he's OCS?

MR. [REDACTED]: Yes.

MR. [REDACTED] Let me look into it.

MR. ECHOLS: Could you (indicating [REDACTED] and Ger[REDACTED] 25X1A

get together and explore the facts -- and maybe we can salvage an employee.

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MR. [REDACTED] Or make some retirement deal with him, or something, maybe. But I'd like to investigate it.

MR. ECHOLS: Okay -- a good point.

Any other business? (No response.) If not, we will adjourn.

. . . . The meeting adjourned at 2:15 p.m.

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